



Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission

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IDAHO SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING & TELECONFERENCE

Date and Time:

Thursday, June 13, 2013

From 8:00 am – 5:00 pm MST

Location:

Idaho State Capitol Building

700 W. Jefferson Street, East Wing 20

Boise, Idaho 83720

APPROVED MINUTES

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dick Bronson

Dave Radford

Jerry Trebesch

Roger Stutzman

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT via teleconference:

Norman Wright

COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT:

Teri Murrison

Delwyne Trefz

Cheryl Wilson

Pam Johansen

Terry Hoebelheinrich

Jan Webster

PARTNERS AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Harriet Hensley

Keith Reynolds

Shelby Kerns

Rich McAllister

ITEM #1: WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Bronson called the meeting to order at 8:00 am. Roll call: Chairman Dick Bronson, Commissioners Dave Radford, Jerry Trebesch, Norman Wright and Roger Stutzman were present.

ITEM #2: Review Agenda

Item #4a, Election of 2014 Officers, was moved to follow Item #7, Other Business.

ITEM #4b: MINUTES

Action: Commissioner Radford moved to approve the May 16, 2013 minutes. Commissioner Trebesch seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #4c: FINANCIAL REPORTS

Commissioner Radford moved to approve the May 31, 2013 Financial Report. Commissioner Trebesch seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #4d: ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

An item was added that arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda that was of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration. It involved a request from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and Idaho State Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit comments on the BLM's Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Owyhee 68, Group 2.

Action: Commissioner Radford moved that SWCC's draft response to the BLM regarding the Jump, Succor and Cow Creek Watersheds Grazing Permit Renewal Draft EIS, be finalized and sent to Brian Oakey at the Idaho Department of Agriculture for incorporation into the state comment letter. Commissioner Trebesch seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #4e: PROPOSED FY2014 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

Chairman directed that staff follow schedule as proposed and noted that the schedule can be modified as needed. Action: no action taken.

ITEM #4f: FY 2014-2016 STRATEGIC PLAN

Action: Commissioner Radford moved to approve the Strategic Plan document with minor changes as noted. Commissioner Stutzman seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #5c: DISTRICT CAPACITY BUILDING FUNDING REQUESTS

Action: Commissioner Radford moved to distribute FY 2014 capacity building funds as recommended by the District Support Services Specialist with the exception of increasing the allocation to the Ag Symposium to \$1,500 and reducing the overall district awards to \$875 per district. Commissioner Stutzman seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #7b: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Action: The Chairman surrendered the gavel to Jan Webster to conduct the annual election of Chairman.

Chairman Bronson nominated Commissioner Wright for FY 2014 Chairman. Commissioner Trebesch seconded the motion.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Radford to nominate Chairman Bronson for FY 2014. Seconded by Commissioner Wright.

Discussion ensued. The maker of the substitute motion withdrew his motion, as did the second. Commissioner Radford moved that the nominations be closed. Seconded by Commissioner Stutzman. By unanimous consent the nominations for Chairman were closed.

The original motion carried by unanimous vote and the gavel was turned over to Chairman Wright to conduct elections for Vice Chair and Secretary, and for the balance of the meeting.

Action: Commissioner Radford nominated Commissioner Stutzman for Vice-Chair. Commissioner Bronson seconded the motion. By unanimous consent, the nominations for Vice Chair were closed. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Action: Commissioner Radford nominated Commissioner Trebesch for Secretary. Commissioner Stutzman seconded the motion. By unanimous consent, the nominations for Secretary were closed. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Radford moved that the group break for lunch at 12:23 pm and resume at 1:25 pm for Executive Session.

ITEM #8: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Action: Commissioner Radford moved to break for lunch and enter into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §67-2345(d) for the purpose of considering pending RCRDP loan business and pursuant to Idaho Code §67-2345(b) for the appointment of the Administrator for FY 2014. Seconded by Commissioner Trebesch. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session commenced at 1:35 pm. Ms. Murrison, Mr. Hoebelheinrich, Ms. Wilson, Ms. Johansen and Deputy AG Harriet Hensley were invited to stay for the RCRDP loan business consideration and Ms. Murrison stayed for the consideration of appointing an Administrator for FY 2014.

Executive Session ended at 3:14 pm

The Regular Meeting reconvened in open session at 3:14 pm

Action: Commissioner Radford moved that Administrator receive a bonus up to \$2760.13 based on balances remaining in the General Fund and Dedicated RCRDP Personnel Funds. Commissioner Trebesch seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Action: Commissioner Radford moved to reappoint Administrator for FY 2014. Commissioner Trebesch seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #9: ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm. The next Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, August 8, 2013 in Boise.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Trebesch, Secretary